III. REMARKS

Claims 1-31 are pending in this application. By this amendment, claims 1, 9, 16 and 24 have been amended. Applicants do not acquiesce in the correctness of the rejections and reserve the right to present specific arguments regarding any rejected claims not specifically addressed. Further, Applicants reserve the right to pursue the full scope of the subject matter of the original claims in a subsequent patent application that claims priority to the instant application.

Reconsideration in view of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action, claims 1-31 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as allegedly being unpatentable over Gorelik (U.S. Patent Pub. No.2005/0055369), hereafter "Gorelik." Applicants assert that Gorelik does not teach each and every feature of the claimed invention. For example, with respect to independent claims 1, 9, 16 and 24, Applicants submit that Gorelik fails to teach matching by performing a number of matching processes in sequence until a match is found. The Office equates this feature with a single match performed over a number of target locations. As such, Gorelik does not teach a number of unique matching processes performed in sequence until a match is found. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Office withdraw its rejection.

With respect to dependent claims, Applicants herein incorporate the arguments presented above with respect to the independent claims from which the claims depend. Furthermore, Applicants submit that all dependent claims are allowable based on their own distinct features. Since the cited art does not teach each and every feature of the claimed invention, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of this rejection.

IV. CONCLUSION

In addition to the above arguments, Applicants submit that each of the pending claims is patentable for one or more additional unique features. To this extent, Applicants do not acquiesce to the Office's interpretation of the claimed subject matter or the references used in rejecting the claimed subject matter. These features have not been separately addressed herein for brevity. However, Applicants reserve the right to present such arguments in a later response should one be necessary.

In light of the above, Applicants respectfully submit that the claimed subject matter is in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner require anything further to place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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